

What is claimed is:

Sub ~~DI~~ P. A method for registering a user at a plurality of user requested nodes of a communications network wherein nodes of the network are identified using an Internet addressing scheme, comprising:

5 first storing registration information related to the user in a first data store on a first node of said network;

second storing of said registration information in a second store on a second node of said network, said second node being different from said first node;

providing the user with a user identification code permitting access to said registration information in at least one of said first and second stores;

10 supplying to at least one requested node of said plurality of requested nodes: (a) said user identification code for registering the user at said at least one requested node, and (b) said registration information transmitted from one of said first and second stores for registering the user at said at least one requested node.

2. A method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said first node is a client node and said second is a server node.

3. A method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said communications network utilizes an internet protocol.

4. A method as claimed in Claim 1, further including a step of providing a modification to said registration material on one of said first and second stores to the other of said first and second stores.

5. A method as claimed in Claim 4, wherein said step of providing includes retaining said modification in said first and second stores, wherein said modification is

transmitted to said at least one requested node in said step of supplying from one of said first and second stores.

6. A method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said first step of storing includes inputting said registration information by the user.

7. A method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said step of second storing includes transmitting said registration information from said first node to said second node using said communications network.

8. A method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said step of supplying includes:  
inputting user identification from said first node;  
transmitting said user identification to said second node; and  
using said user identification at said second node for determining said user  
5 identification code.

9. A method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said step of supplying includes requesting, by said at least one requested node, said registration information from said second node.

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11. An apparatus for registering a user at a plurality of user requested nodes of a communications network wherein each node of the network is identified using an internet addressing scheme, comprising:

5 means for providing registration information related to the user on a first node of said network;

means for transferring said user information to said means for providing from a second node of said network;

means for transmitting a user identifying code from said first node to said second node, said user identifying code related to said registration information;

10 means for registering the user on at least one requested node of said plurality of requested nodes by transmitting said user identification code from said second node to said at least one requested node;

means for determining, at said at least one requested node, said user registration information is provided by said first node;

15 means for requesting, by said at least one requested node, said registration information from said first node by supplying said first node with information identifying said user identification code.

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